

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Measles are almost epidemic at Waianae.

Opium is quoted at \$10 per pound, f. o. b. Honolulu.

H. B. M. Commissioner Hawes went to Kauai on the steamer Kauai last night.

Tommy Cummins is the happy father of a bouncing baby boy born at 7 a. m. Saturday.

Punahou Preparatory School charges only fifty cents per week, beginning January 6, 1896.

The Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff and Captain of the Police of Maui will visit the Bernice Pauahi Museum this morning.

The receipts of the New England dinner given by the W. C. T. U. and Y. W. C. T. U. Friday amounted to something over \$170.

A runaway horse on Alakea street last night, as the congregation was leaving the Christian church, caused considerable excitement.

The Japanese are making lime at Waianae, and have completed arrangements with the plantation company for taking a large portion of the output.

Harry Evans, turnkey at the police station, will be made harbor policeman, succeeding Captain Hilbus, who will be made captain of the tug Eleu on March 1st.

Henry Smith, Clerk of the Supreme Court, has had a typewriter desk made by a local carpenter, which, for design and finish surpasses any of those imported from the Coast.

The Company D minstrel troupe will have another rehearsal tonight. The boys are making good progress and will present something worth the public's time to witness in the near future.

Work on the new opera house is beginning in good earnest. Wagons were busy carting lumber to the place yesterday afternoon, and the danger lights were put out for the first time last night.

Three hundred Chinese contract laborers are expected to arrive by the China. Eight hundred Japanese, 600 of whom have been contracted for are on Ogura & Co.'s steamer, now en route.

Dr. E. R. Dille, pastor of Central Methodist Episcopal church, San Francisco, will arrive on the Australia February 13th. Dr. Dille is one of the ablest and most eloquent speakers on the Pacific Coast.

Artist Hilliard has accepted the invitation of the Kilohana Art League to display his pictures in Honolulu. The view will be held next Tuesday evening and promises to be a treat for all those who appreciate true art.

If the party who recently addressed a communication to the manager of the Gazette Company regarding a cape lost and advertised for in this paper will call at the office or send name and address, it will be to his or her benefit.

It is said that there will be a meeting of lacrosse enthusiasts in the near future. It is hoped that this looked-for event will not prove such a spasmodic attempt as certain ones of several months ago which resulted only in the importation of lacrosse sticks.

The Kamehameha school girls have presented Prof. Berger with a fine framed picture of the famous Beethoven as a token of their appreciation of his services in their concert at Independence Park pavilion. Professor Berger cherishes the present as one of his most valued gifts.

The engagement of Miss Ida Altberger, daughter of General Altberger, of San Francisco, to F. A. Severin, brother of T. P. Severin of this city, is announced. Mr. Severin was formerly connected with Williams' art gallery. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride, San Francisco, in April.

James Donnelly, for many years a teacher at Hauula and other points on the islands died on Sunday from a complication of diseases. At the funeral which took place Sunday afternoon the following persons officiated as pallbearers: Prof. Alexander, J. F. Scott, J. Lightfoot, Armstrong Smith, J. L. Edwards and J. L. Dumas.

James R. Renton, A. Lidgate, Robert Horner, Fred S. Clinton, Edwin Thomas, E. W. Estep, Wm. Horner, George Koch and J. A. Kauila, inspectors of election in Hamakua and witnesses in behalf of Alexander Young, have agreed to submit themselves to whatever judgment or decision in the premises the Supreme Court shall consider just and proper.

SEAL OF THE REPUBLIC.

Design Submitted by the "Anglo-Dane."

A FINE PIECE OF WORK.

Some Features of the Old Seal. The Old and the New Blended. The Lone Star of the Pacific. To Be Considered on Wednesday.

Representative Robertson and Senators Schmidt and McCandless, the committee appointed to secure designs for a great seal yesterday recommended the one submitted by "Anglo-Dane," who turns out to be Viggo Jacobson, the well known penman.

Mr. Jacobson's design embodies some of the features of the old seal and includes others that are new to



DESIGN FOR GREAT SEAL. Submitted by Anglo-Dane.

Hawaii in the matter of scrolls or escutcheons.

In working out his ideas he seems to have been animated by a desire to retain from the old coat-of-arms as much as possible and to modify it only sufficiently to meet the exigencies of the new order of things.

He evidently had good reasons for this, for the old design has much to commend it, having been executed by the College of Heraldry in London, England, upon suggestions made by the late Haailio, a man whose abilities were held in high esteem by foreigners and natives alike.

Mr. Jacobson considered that it was a sound principle to refrain from making a very radical change, thereby avoiding the confusion which would be caused by the adoption of a perfectly new composition, however beautiful in itself, which would be unfamiliar to persons at home and unrecognizable to any one abroad. The fact that the Government had in its request for designs shown some regard for traditions gave the designers ample scope in laying out their work and in embodying some of the essential characteristics of the old seal in its entirety.

Mr. Jacobson's design serves the purpose of illustrating the evolution of Hawaiian history, past, present and future. Proceeding on these lines the original great seal, the keystone of the whole fabric, has been preserved in its entirety.

That the eight bars of the national banner represent the eight inhabited islands under one rule is known the world over, and in this connection Mr. Jacobson submits that the eight stars in the second and third quarter of the present seal are superfluous and lacking in originality, and the retention of the distinctly typical staff of authority in the fields is more justifiable. The peculiar significance is forcibly set forth in Thun's Annual in an article descriptive of the seal. "The white ball, etc., with which the second and third squares are charged was an ancient emblem of the country called Puloou, and they were placed at the right and left of the gateway, or door, of the chief's house to indicate protection, or a place of refuge, to which persons might flee from danger and be safe."

The substitution, on the other hand, in the center of the single star of Hawaii (whose ultimate destiny it, probably, is to become engrafted upon the escutcheon of the greatest of all the Republics) for the ancient emblems, triangular banner, argent, leaning upon a cross saltire, the exact meaning and origin of which are, to a large extent, shrouded in obscurity, and not likely to meet with any strong objection, while, from an aesthetic point of view, it must be considered a decided improvement.

The difficult problem of devising two human figures as supporters has been happily solved by introducing Kamehameha I. and the Goddess of Liberty, both representing important epochs in the history of Hawaii—the old and new respectively. The contrast of color and sex suggesting not only reconciliation, but the fusion of the races with one another.

The irradiating sun above the shield is symbolic of the new era which dawned upon Hawaii with the advent of the Republic, while the fabulous bird "Phoenix" is Hawaii nei herself, rising, rejuvenated, from the ashes of the monarchy. The two leaves, ferns, etc., are suggestive of the fruitfulness

of the soil and the tropical verdure of the country.

The fact that the committee was of the opinion that the old motto should be retained induced Mr. Jacobson to give it greater prominence than heretofore, and, in this particular, he followed the plan carried out in all of the seals in the American States.

THE CROWN RELICS.

Splendid Sale Yesterday—High Prices Realized.

The collection of crown silverware, glassware and China of the late monarchy sold by Morgan yesterday brought extravagant prices from people who wanted to own the sets or pieces for their associations.

Quite the largest buyer was H. F. Wichman as to the number of pieces and perhaps the number of dollars. W. G. Irwin paid the highest price for a set; a dinner service for six. The price paid was \$235 the only bid, and the purchaser would have gone higher.

One set that had been marked \$500 for the whole went begging for bidders until Minister Cooper ordered it sold in pieces. The total amount received for the sale

in this way was in excess of the upset price. After dinner coffee cups sold for \$7 each, saucers the same; plates went equally high.

One large centre piece of silver and which was supposed to be platedware proved on examination by Mr. Wichman to contain \$432 worth of bullion.

The articles sold yesterday as belonging to the Kamehameha reign were nearly all purchased in England by the late Dr. Judd. Most of his purchases have, however, long passed into oblivion, so far as Hawaii is concerned, through the carelessness of servants. The most valuable china set that was in the palace was that given the king by Napoleon III, but not a piece of that set has been about the place for a long time; what was not broken by the servants was distributed as mementos.

The greatest demand yesterday was for pieces bearing the king's initials and crown. There seemed to be a peculiar fascination in them for the curio gatherers.

The sale will be continued today.

MRS. GUNN'S DANCING CLASS.

An Immediate Success—Twenty-one Pupils.

When twenty-one young people turn out to the first meeting of a dancing school it seems a good indication that the project is favorably received, particularly since the number of beginners given above represents some of the best families in the city.

Mrs. Gunn, the instructor, started her dancing school last Friday afternoon in the Child's Garden, Beretania street, and was much pleased to note the number in attendance. It has not been decided just what afternoon will be chosen permanently but it is more than probable that every Friday will be the time.

In speaking of the school yesterday a well known lady of the city remarked, "I do not intend to have my children grow up awkward if I can do anything to prevent such a thing, and it seems that this school is just what I want to help me in my determination. I have a perfect horror of seeing my children appear ill at ease in society. Dancing is the best thing in the world to obviate such a catastrophe. I shall send my children to the school and try to get all my friends to do the same. One hour of a little more every week is certainly not much to devote to something so necessary to a child's development."

The Mounted Reserve will meet for drill on the Makiki baseball grounds at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening. Every member is ordered to be present.

WEYLER IN CONTROL.

Soon to Take the Field Against the Cubans.

WILL CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Attempt to Meet Opponents in Open Battle—Makes a Hit by Releasing Prisoners—Another Expedition Starts From New York—Insurgents Suffer.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The Herald's Havana cable says: Captain-General Weyler's first official day was a very busy one. Its results, as far as they are known, have left on the whole an excellent impression. Ten political prisoners, who, after being for some time confined in Santiago de Cuba, were sent here by General Pando to be imprisoned in Morro castle, waiting deportation to Ceuta, Africa, and who expected to be sent away today, with other prisoners, were pleasantly surprised this morning. Captain-General Weyler, when asked to sign the order for their embarkation and indefinite imprisonment, called for the evidence in the cases, examined it carefully, and at the suggestion of General Pando, who thought the sentences too severe, considering that the proof was only circumstantial, ordered the ten prisoners released.

Wants More Volunteers.

HAVANA, Feb. 14.—Captain-General Weyler continues his investigation into the condition and resources of his forces in Cuba, and in making some experiments of methods he intends to employ when he enters a campaign. General Weyler is apparently con-



CAPTAIN-GENERAL WEYLER. Now in Command of the Spanish Forces in Cuba.

vinced that the force of volunteers in Cuba is not as large or as effective as it can be made, and he is devoting a great deal of attention to plans for enlarging this arm of the service and employing it in active service.

Another Party Starts Out.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.—Another Cuban expedition, including about 100 of the survivors of the Hawkins expedition, sailed from New York last Monday. She carries to the insurgents 100,000 rounds of cartridges and 2000 stands.

Insurgents Suffer Loss.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The Herald's Havana cable says: It was learned unofficially today that General Weyler will personally take the field very soon. Weyler's purpose is said to be to place his command between the armies of Gomez and Maceo and force one or both to give battle.

From Camajuan, province of Santa Clara, comes intelligence of an important fight between Colonel Lopez and the insurgents, led by Serafin Sanchez and Mirabel, near Palo Prieto. Lopez had 800 infantry and cavalry and Sanchez is supposed to have 3000. The fight lasted five hours. The rebels are reported defeated with a loss of more than 100 killed and wounded.

Sanchez is said to have had under his charge the rebel president and secretaries, who were coming west to confer with General Gomez and Maceo.

Attempted Burglary.

At 2 o'clock this morning while Officer Espinda was on watch at the corner of Fort and Queen streets, his attention was attracted by a loud noise to the tobacco store of Hollister & Co. on Merchant

street. Proceeding to the place two men were seen to suddenly disappear around the corner. The officer whistled for assistance and gave chase, capturing the two men near the boat landing. The men were brought back to the scene of operations, where it was found the lock and window of the door had been broken, a big iron bar being the instrument used. One of the men was badly cut on the hands. Both were locked up, pending an investigation this morning.

THE ART RECEPTION.

Kilohana League Rooms Open to W. H. Hilliard.

W. H. Hilliard the artist, has accepted the kind invitation of the Kilohana Art League to give an exhibition of his painting in their rooms, Tregloan block, for those interested in art. The answer would have been made some time ago but suitable arrangements could not be made any sooner.

Mr. Hilliard has decided to give a reception to the Kilohana Art League on Tuesday evening, February 25th. The paintings will be on exhibition for the first time then. After that event the rooms of the league will be thrown open to the public for a few days and evenings. No admission will be charged.

Mr. Hilliard will exhibit about thirty paintings. It is hoped that D. Howard Hitchcock, Hawaii's artist, will exhibit some of his work.

Among Mr. Hilliard's paintings will be several scenes in and about Honolulu. "On the road to the Pali" will be one to claim the attention of the lover's of fine work. It is a misty day picture with the summits of the mountains showing prominently. Just a small portion of the road curving around out of

BICYCLE MEET LAST NIGHT.

Two Native Boys Contest—The Record Broken.

A few days since Kakalia, a young native employed at the fish-market, stepped up to Niu, a native boat boy, and said: "See here, young fellow, I can just do you any time at all for any distance you may feel disposed to mention. Yes, bicycle racing is what I mean. You have been going around telling people what a fine rider you are and I intend to make you stop your bragging. Accept the challenge or be doomed forever to be called a coward."

Niu, with a self-satisfied smile, accepted the challenge and sauntered off to his home to oil up his dirt-covered chain and tie up a broken spoke or so. Kakalia walked off in another direction meditating on what kind of lard he should use on his wheel for such an exciting event. The thought also came to him that he must put a brake on his wheel in order to check himself should he get to going too fast. It would also be necessary to remove some of the dirt that had been gathered on the wheel in order to present as small a surface as possible to the wind.

Thus in their own small ways they meditated upon the preparations necessary for the race and the probable outcome.

The race was called yesterday afternoon and in order to prevent a large crowd gathering the first starting point was changed at the last moment and Beretania and Punchbowl streets chosen instead.

At the drop of the hat the two bicyclists bent over their handlebars with their noses dangerously near the front tires, and shot out for Punahou. Arriving at Dillingham's corner, they turned down and started in King street. Just then there was an explosion and Kakalia felt the rim of his front wheel running along on the ground. Niu smiled a glorious smile and made for town, finishing on Union Square about a half or three quarters of an hour afterwards, according to the official timekeeper. Kakalia was game and kept on going, but failed to catch Niu. Kakalia claimed a foul because his tire got a puncture in it, and the judge concurred with him. Another race will be arranged for in the near future. This time it is thought all tires will be removed from the wheels to prevent a repetition of the catastrophe.

BY AUTHORITY.

SALE OF PUBLIC LANDS.

On SATURDAY, March 21st, at 12 o'clock noon, at front entrance of Judiciary Building, Honolulu, will be sold the following pieces of land:

1—Lot in Waianae, Oahu, containing 6 1-10' of an acre. Upset price, \$610.

2—Lot in Waianae, Oahu, containing 44 100 of an acre. Upset price, \$100.

3—Lot at seashore, Waianae, Oahu, at mouth of the river, containing 4 acres. Upset price, \$100.

The sale of Lot 3 is upon condition that purchaser will within one year from date of purchase, erect upon the land a building suitable for purpose of small hotel, to accommodate not less than twelve persons.

Plans showing above lands for sale may be seen at the Public Lands Office, Judiciary Building, where further particulars may be obtained.

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